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In re Reissue Application of:)
David A. Russo et al.)
Serial No.: 08/544,212) Group Art Unit: 1755
Filed: October 17, 1995) Examiner: D. Brunsman
For: COATING COMPOSITION)
FOR GLASS)

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Sir:

MEMORANDUM OF ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED AT ORAL
INTERVIEW AND WHY APPLICANTS BELIEVE AN INTERVIEW
WOULD HELP THE PROSECUTION OF THE APPLICATION

Applicants' attorney telephoned the Examiner on February 5, 2001 requesting an oral interview, but the Examiner requested that applicants present a memorandum of issues to be discussed at an oral interview, and why the interview would help advance the prosecution of the application. Applicants' attorney offers the following remarks in this regard.

Applicants' Reasons Why an Interview would be helpful
to Advance the Prosecution of the Application

The assignee of the application has requested a personal interview with the Examiner and will attend the interview if granted.

Applicants' assignee and their attorney believe that because of the complexity of the issues raised in this reissue application, and the multiple rejections and responses exchanged starting with the July 1, 1996 Office Action up and through the present October 26, 2000 Office Action, a discussion of the issues at an oral interview will streamline the prosecution and hopefully bring it to a conclusion.

Issues

Applicants' attorney will discuss the following classes of claims to show that the recapture doctrine does not bar their issuance:

<u>Type of Claim</u>	<u>Claim</u>
Composition of matter claims	Claims 1-27, 28,29, 31, 32
Oxide film claims that do not specify a silicon oxide or its precursor but are broad enough to include them	Claims 33-36, 38, 50-52
Oxide film claims that do not specify a silicon oxide or its precursor but are broad enough to include them on a substrate	Claims 39-49
Oxide films with a silicon oxide	Claims 37,56-60
Product by process claims	Claims 65 and 66 directed to an oxide composition produced by oxidizing the composition of any one of claims 1-29 and 31-32

Applicants will offer reasons why the decision, In re Clement, 131 F.3d 1464, 45 U.S.P.Q. 2nd 1161 (Fed. Cir. 1997) does not apply to invoke the recapture rule, and how in Clement, the Court showed how they derived their recapture criteria from the earlier decisions, Ball Corp. v United States, 729 F.2d 1439, 221 U.S.P.Q 289 (Fed. Cir. 1984) and Mentor Corp. v. Coloplast, Inc., 998 F.2d 992, 27 U.S.P.Q. 2nd 1521 (Fed. Cir. 1983).

Applicants' attorney will also offer reasons why MPEP §1412.02 regarding standards employed in a recapture rejection does not apply.

Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner grant an oral interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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